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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This Petition is being submitted to keep the subject application pending so that a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 can be properly submitted concurrently herewith. The Patent Office issued an Office Action dated June 24, 2002. A response to the Office Action was filed September 24, 2002. The Examiner issued an Advisory Action dated December 4, 2002.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Final Office Action sent June 24, 2002, said period of response being extended from September 24, 2002 to December 24, 2002. Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the extension fee. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0306.

Respectfully submitted,



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